

# BATTLE OF BUSACO.

GENERAL POSITION OF THE FRENCH AND ALLIED ARMIES ON THE 26<sup>th</sup> SEPT. 1810.

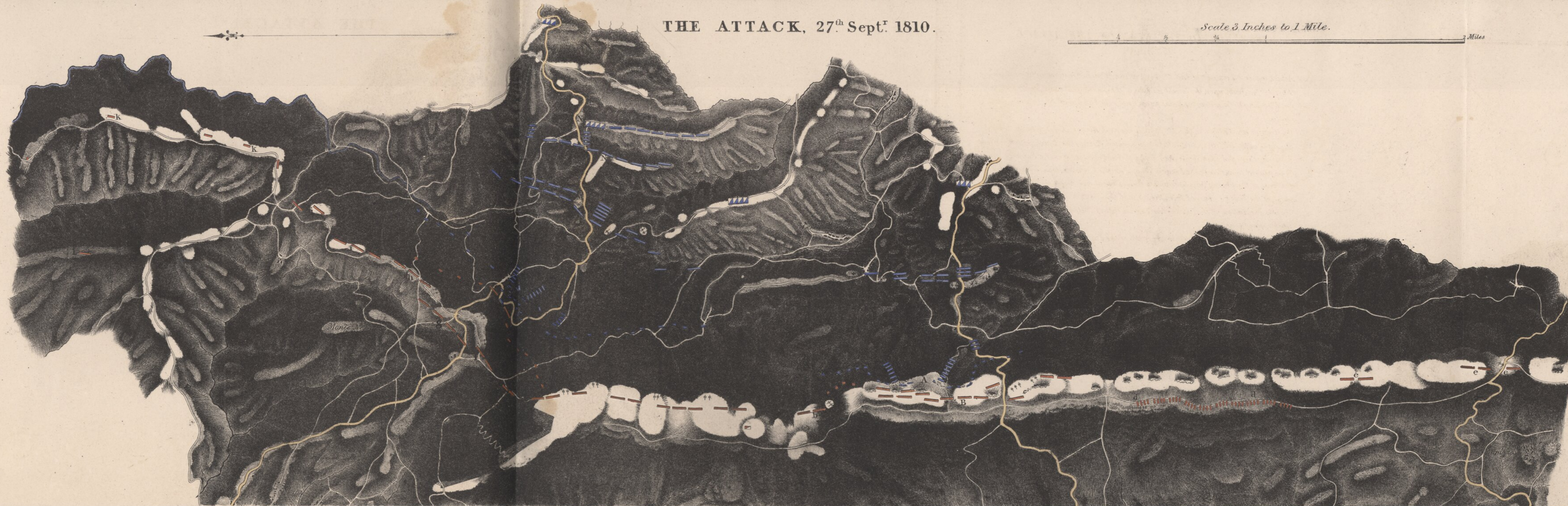


REFERENCE TO THE GENERAL POSITION.  
26<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup>

- A. General Position of the French Army, commanded by Marshal Massena, Prince d'Essling, in front of the Sierra de Busaco, on the evening of the 26<sup>th</sup> of September, 1810.
- X. The 6<sup>th</sup> French Corps d'Armée, commanded by Marshal Ney, Duc d'Elchingen.
- Y. The 8<sup>th</sup> French Corps d'Armée, commanded by General Junot, Duc d'Albrantes.
- Z. The 2<sup>nd</sup> French Corps d'Armée, commanded by General Regnier.
- xy. Cavalry of the 6<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Corps.
- z. Cavalry of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Corps.
- B. General Position of the Allied Army, commanded by Viscount Wellington, upon the Sierra de Busaco, on the 26<sup>th</sup> of September, 1810.
- c. Five Companies Loyal Lusitanian Legion, (belonging to the 5<sup>th</sup> Division) in advance upon the right.
- d. Portuguese Division, & } L<sup>ieut</sup>. Gen<sup>l</sup>. Hill.  
Second Division.
- e. The Right Wing of the 5<sup>th</sup> Division. } M. Gen<sup>l</sup>. Leith.
- f. The Left Wing of the 5<sup>th</sup> Division. }
- g. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Division. } M. Gen<sup>l</sup>. Picton.
- h. Three Brigades of the 1<sup>st</sup> Division.
- i. Two Squadrons 4<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Dragoons } L<sup>ieut</sup>. Gen<sup>l</sup>. Sir Brent Spencer.
- k. B<sup>at</sup>. Gen<sup>l</sup>. Pack's Brigade Foot Infantry.
- l. Eastern Gate of the Park of the Convent of Busaco, there being an abutment in front of the Gateway, and the Wall on each side forming a Parapet for musquetry, by the help of a scaffolding of Planks.
- m. The Light Division. } B<sup>at</sup>. Gen<sup>l</sup>. Crauford.
- n. B<sup>at</sup>. Gen<sup>l</sup>. Coleman's Brigade of Portuguese Infantry.
- o. The King's German Legion, (belonging to the 1<sup>st</sup> Division.)
- p. B<sup>at</sup>. Gen<sup>l</sup>. Campbell's Brigade of Portuguese Infantry.
- q. The 4<sup>th</sup> Division. } M. Gen<sup>l</sup>. The Hon<sup>ble</sup>. G. L. Cole.

THE ATTACK, 27<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1810.

Scale 3 Inches to 1 Mile.



REFERENCE TO THE PLAN OF THE ATTACK.  
27<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup>

- A. Attack made by a part of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Corps of the French Army early in the morning of the 27<sup>th</sup> of Sept<sup>r</sup> upon the lower portion of the Sierra de Busaco, over which the road leading to Coimbra by Bataijasso, near the Village of S<sup>an</sup>. Antonio de Coimbra.
- a. Position of the Troops of the 2<sup>nd</sup> French Corps d'Armée in the Attack.
- B. The right of the 5<sup>th</sup> Division (Leith) which arrived during the Attack from its former Position, where the road from the Village of Gondalim crosses the Sierra.
- b. Guns placed to enfilade the French Troops on the lower portion of the Sierra, in the event of their being able to establish themselves upon it before the arrival of that part of the Troops ordered from the right of the Position of the Allies.
- c. Half a Battalion of the Lusitanian Legion still at Nossa Sen<sup>ha</sup> do Monte (included in the upper plan).
- d. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Division in march from the right of the Position.
- e. The Portuguese Division.
- F. Forward movement of the Light Division, after having repulsed the Attack made upon its original Position by a part of the 6<sup>th</sup> Corps of the French Army.
- f. Forward movement and deployment of Coleman's Portuguese Brigade, when the Attack was made upon the Position of the Light Division.
- g. Forward movement of support made by the German Legion when the Light Division advanced, directing the enemy down the hill.
- h. Movement to the right made by B<sup>at</sup>. Gen<sup>l</sup>. Campbell's Portuguese Brigade when the Light Division was attacked.
- i. Movement towards its right made by the 4<sup>th</sup> Division at the same time.
- k. The Portuguese Brigade of the 4<sup>th</sup> Division.
- l. One British Battalion on the extreme left in Second Line.
- M. That part of the 6<sup>th</sup> French Corps d'Armée which was not immediately engaged in the Attack on the Position of the Light Division.
- N. The 8<sup>th</sup> French Corps d'Armée in reserve.

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